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Love and Lies

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On the swaying train, she is dignified.
But what feelings lie behind those eyes,
and what meaning behind those words?







THAT YOU
WISHED WE
COULD
HAVE GONE
ON THAT
FIELD TRIP
TOGETH-
ER?

WELL,
IT'S LIKE
YOU SAID
BEFORE,
RIGHT
?



WAIT...
OR WAS IT
THAT YOU
WANTED TO
RIDE THE
BUS TO-
GETHER?



YOU...

REMEM-
BERED?



THIS
IS...

WHERE
WE CAME
FOR THAT
FIELD
TRIP...

AS WE
WERE
GOING
AROUND,
I KEPT
WONDERING
IF MAYBE
I WOULD
SEE
YOU...

YOU
KNOW,
SINCE
LIKE EACH
CLASS
DID THE
WALK AT
SLIGHTLY
DIFFERENT
TIMES,
RIGHT?

I WAS
THINK-
ING
THE
SAME
THING.

YEAH.

'CAUSE
...



SO
PLEASE
...

THIS
TIME
...

LET'S
GO ON
THIS
WALK
TOGETH-
ER!

TAKASAKI-
SAN?

...

...

...



WH-
WHAT'S
THE
MAT-
TER?
UM...

I...

DON'T
DESERVE
TO HAVE
YOU DO
ALL
THIS...

FOR ME.









WE'LL
OVERCOME
THIS.
BESIDES...



I
LOVE
YOU.

...



BECAUSE
OF YOU.

I AM
WHO
I AM
NOW...





PLEASE,
BE MY
GIRL-
FRIEND.

I
LOVE
YOU.

THE NEXT CHAPTER WILL BE IN ISSUE 22.

HIS FEELINGS HAVEN'T CHANGED
SINCE THAT NIGHT, OR SINCE
LONG BEFORE THAT.

NEXT TIME: "AND HER REPLY IS"